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Deficiencies revealed in County's Affirmative action program

Statistics alone can't tell the whole story about why the county's affirmative action program has been so slow in getting off the ground, but they do reveal significant short-comings in county hiring procedures, says Sig Cook, Pierce County's equal employment opportunity officer.

Until 1977 the county didn't even have a personnel office, Cook told Tacoma Human Relations Commissioners at their April study session. Cook and Diane Lund, the County's contract compliance officer, were on hand to give the commission an overview of the county's affirmative action and contract compliance programs.

Before the personnel office was establisehd, each county commissioner hired his own staff and whether or not you got a job depended on who you knew and not necessarily on what you knew, he said.

In Cook's view, the fact that the county has only been able to muster-up a one percent gain in minority hiring over a six year period is an issue which should not be taken lightly.

He maintains that when he was hired as the EEO Officer in 1973, minority employment in Pierce County government stood at 6.7 percent. Today's 7.7 percent figure is still far below the available minority work force in the county.

Although Cook claims all three county commissioners are verbally committed to affirmative action, there is little monetary commitment.

It is ironic that since the county established a personnel office, which Cook believes will positively affect the county's affirmative action program, his own staff has been cut back from five employees to three.

With a 40 percent reduction in his staff, Cook is "so involved doing the physical functions of the job" that he doesn't have time to devote to educational and training responsibilities which he acknowledges are vital to the successful implementation of an affirmataive action program.

Still, Cook is optimistic about the county's affirmative action progress. During the 1978-1979 fiscal year the county's work force was reduced by 54 positions. However, during that same period, thre was a slight increase in the county's minority and female work forces.

Making sure that contractors who do business with the county meet affirmative action guidelines is Lind's responsibility.

The contract compliance program went into effect three years ago. Lund admits she has little control over the $10,000 to $50,000 contracts awarded to suppliers and vendors. These contracts require only a signed nondiscrimination statement.

Construction contracts over $10,000, however, are another story. The county recommends that minority subcontractors receive at least 12 percent of the dollar amount of the contract.

To help contractors fulfill this requirement, the county implemented a Minority Business Enterprise Program. The program is essentially a certification program which guarantees that minority firms certified by the MBE meet local, state and federal guidelines for affirmative action purposes.

Black women & child gunned down

Two recent incidents are proof positive that Black Americans continue to be the victims of vicious racism in this country.

Last week in Wrightsville, Georgia a 9 year old Black girl was wounded by a shotgun blast fired into a mobile home a few hours after demonstrators protested the plight of Blacks in this racially torn community, authorities reported.

Wrightsville has been the scene of unrest for several weeks as Black citizens demonstrated against racial and economic injustices. The Southern Christian Leadership Conference held a peaceful demonstration on the day of the shooting.

Johnson County sheriff, Roland Attaway, who has been criticized by Blacks in the community for refusing to discuss their problems with them, said two white men were arrested 45 minutes after the shooting was reported.

Blacks contend Attaway runs the county but refuses to meet with them to discuss their demands for better jobs and more adequate representation in local government.

During the same week, three Ku Klux Klansmen-one of them with a lengthy police record-were held on charges of gunning down four Black women on a city street in Chattanooga, Tenn.

Two of the women were hospitalized in satisfactory condition with shotgun pellet wounds in the legs and buttocks. The other two were released after treatment.

William Church, identified as the imperial wizard of the Justice Knights of the Ku Klux Klan has a "rap sheet" that contained numerous arrests and convictions for assault, disorderly conduct and larceny.

All three of the women's assailants have been charged with attempt to commit murder.

Jail meeting

Plans to bring the Pierce County Jail up to minimal standards will be discussed by Sheriff Lyle Smith at a meeting scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 1. The meeting will be held in the Loyola Room St. Leo's Church Rectory, 710 So. 13th Street, Tacoma.

The Jail has recently been surveyed by the Washington State Jail Commission, and deficiencies have been found in medical care, number of staff, and size of the building.

CETA hiring frozen

The U.S. Department of Labor has notified all prime sponsors under the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act (CETA) that hiring for public service jobs under Title VI of the act has been frozen effective April 25. According to Don Balcer, Employment and Training Administration regional administrator for region 10, the Department took the action because under the President's proposed 1981 busget revisions, the number of public service employment Title VI openings has ben reduced from the present 200,000 to 149,000 as of September 30, 1980. In addition, the President proposes to defer $203 million of 1980 budget authority in 1981.

The Title VI enrollment nationally as of March 31, 1980, was 196,000; in Region 10, Balcer said, enrollment was 6,882 as of that date. Today's move is designed to bring enrollment to the required 149,000 by September 30 and also to effect the $203 million savings, Balcer said.

The Labor Department plans to monitor Title VI enrollment levels monthly, and should the 149,000 target nationally be reached before the end of the fiscal year, it will consider lifting the hiring freeze. Notices were sent out to the 19 Northwest state and local government units which serve as prime sponsors by the regional offices of the Labor Department's Employment and Training Administration, which administers CETA.

It's Fair Time

It's Fair Time! Starting the parade of fairs is a city event, the 5th annual 4-H Eastside Fair on Saturday, May 3, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., at the Eastside Neighborhood Center, 1720 East 44th.

Thirty-one organizations and agencies will provide information and sell food, crafts, and plants. Booth participants include Fort Steilacoom and Tacoma Community Colleges, the Afro-American Cultural Center, McKinley, Lister, and McIlvaigh Schools, Eastside Health Clinic, Concerned Citizens of Salishan, Camp Fire Girls, and several 4-H Clubs.

4-Hers from throughout the city and Push/Excel students on the East side will display their projects of arts and crafts, woodworking, sewing, and foods, and receive ribbons for their efforts. A pie eating contest will round out the day's activities.

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BICYCLE IN EUROPE WITH TCC

Bicycling through England and the Netherlands this Summer as part of Tacoma Comunity College's "Holland and England Excursion by Bicycle," students can experience the history, architecture and beautiful countryside in a liesurely manner.

The fifteen credit, 32-day bicycle tour is offered by the TCC office of Continuing Education and Community Services. Participants may earn up to three credits each in English, art history, political science, history and physical education.

The excursion by five or ten speed bicycle will feature both camping and 'bed and breakfast' overnight accomodations, as well as nights in several English and Dutch youth hostels.

The tour, leaves the area August 4 and returns September 4. On-campus orientation will be held during June and July.

Cost for the tour is $1,500 excluding passport, books and meal cost. Deadline for joining the program is May 30. For more information,contact the TCC Office of Continuing Education and Community Services.

Supper Recital

A "Sack Supper Recital," offering free dessert to all audience members who bring their own sack supper, will be presented Thursday, May 1, at 5 p.m. by University of Puget Sound professor Earlene Carey's music students.

Featuring classical, romantic and 20th Century pieces performed by university students in Italian, French, German, and English, the recital is a spin-off of the School of Music's popular noon "Brown Bag Concerts."

The program is open to the public free-of-charge, and will be held in Jacobsen Recital Hall on campus. Dessert will be served after the concert in Room 102 of the Music Building. For more information, call the UPS music school, 756-3253.

High School Music Competition

High school student musicians from Washington, Oregon and Montana will compete in the All-Northwest Swing Choir and Stage Band Festival at Tacoma Community College May 3.

According to festival producer, TCC music instructor Gene Nelson, 12 choirs and 10 bands from the three states will compete for top honors.

Finalists in the event, sponsored by the TCC Music Department, will perform in concert at 7:30 p.m. in the TCC Gymnasium.

Featured at the concert will also be an honor band composed of 26 musicians from nine Tacoma area high schools. The local students will spend May 2 in an intensive rehearsal with jazz greats Doc Edson and Gary Hobbs.

The concert is open to the public for a $2 admission charge. For more information contact the TCC Music Department.

Black Students Rumage Sale

The Black Student Union of Tacoma Community College would greatly appreciate donations of items for the 1980 B.S.U. rummage sale. To have your donated items picked up please contact: Student Activities, 756-5118.
Thank you. Proceeds to go to Scholarship Fund.

Big Bands Sounds

The sounds of the 1930s and the '40s, the "Big Band Era," will be heard during a benefit dance at Pacific Lutheran University Friday, May 2.

The dance, which will feature the music of Glenn Miller, Woody Herman, Count Basie, Guy Lombardo, Si Fenyner and Benny Goodman, will be held from 9 p.m. to midnight in the PLU University Center.

Live music will be provided by the 19-member PLU Jazz Ensemble under the direction of Roger Gard. Tickets are $5 a couple ($2.50 per person) and may be purchased at the door.

Proceeds will be used to benefit the Jazz Ensemble concert tour program.

At the Freedom Fund Dinner

by V. Edwards

Robert Harris, Esq., President, National Bar Association was the keynote speaker for the Tacoma Branch NAACP Freedom Fund Banquet.

Mr. Harris spoke on the challenges of the 80s and how we must understand the history of the NAACP inorder to confront these challenges.

Many Blacks measure conditions of the total by their own standard, while thinking things are not so bad. Big salaries, two cars, or big beautiful homes notwithstanding, Blacks, as a whole, are worse off today than 25 years ago.

Mr. Harris feels, we have no one to stand up to the President to tell our needs; as a consequence, we must rise up and take control of our lives. We must be willing to remove the blindfolds from our eyes to protect the freedom of Black America.

The high interest rates, the budget cuts, the cutback on credit will hurt Black America.

Mr. Harris Praised this chapter for hiring a Black Catering firm, P & B Catering Service.

Dr. Dolores Silas, President of this chapter mentioned the needs met by the NAACP. One such need recently was of a sister in Baltimore, MD. who was concerned about the imprisonment of her brother in Tacoma. The sister told the operator "I want the NAACP in Tacoma" and was connected with this office and Dr. Silas.

The Tacoma branch did some investigating and called the sister back.

The lamplighters award for his many years of active service to the NAACP and other community activity was presented to Mr. James Patterson.

The first youth award for high acheivement in school and community was presented to Walter La Count Jr., son of Mr. & Mrs. Walter La Count. This plaque was presented in recognition of "a gallant soldier" as a 32 year member of the NAACP, Mrs. J.W. Wesley.

F.Y.I. *(for your information)*

Street Entertainers Sought

The Tacoma-Pierce County Civic Arts Commission is seeking street entertainers to perform as part of "Art Bowl," a community-wide arts festival to take place on August 23. The festival will take place in Stadium Bowl and will include a parade, arts and crafts booths, two stages with continuous entertainment, special childrens' activities, and more. Musicians, mimes, jugglers, clowns and anyone else who can perform without technical requirements are sought. Auditions will be held in late May. Interested people should contact the Civic Arts Commission at 593-4754.

AACC Art Exhibit

Don't miss this opportunity...view the Public and Personal Art Exhibition of Isaac Shamsud-din, one of the Northwest's leading muralists, painters, artists, and lecturers.

The exhibition will take place May 7 through 17, from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Tacoma Public Library, 1102 Tacoma Avenue South, Tacoma, Washington. Admission is free of charge.

This event is sponsored by; Tacoma's African-American Cultural Center, a division of Metropolitan Development Council, Tacoma Public Library, Washington State College, and Pierce County Civic Arts Commission.

If you have questions or are in need of further information, contact Cynthia Corbett at 572-5557.
Thank you.

Gray Panthers meet

The Tacoma-Pierce County Chapter of the Gray Panthers will hold their monthly meeting Friday, May 9 at 12 noon in the cottage of the Tacoma Community House, 1311 South "M" Street. Anyone interested is invited to attend. Bring a sack lunch; coffee and tea will be provided. The meeting will begin at 12:45. For further information, call E. L. Morris or R. L. Sarver.

YWCA DISPLACED HOMEMAKER PROGRAM

Free classes for Displaced Homemakers are scheduled to begin in May at the Downtown Tacoma YWCA. The classes provide information on identifying job skills, effective job search techniques and offer a chance to explore training, education and job options.

Pre-registration will be Monday, May 5th at 6:30 pm at the YWCA, 405 Broadway.

Other services available through this program include: information and referral to community resources, assistance with job placement, individual interviews and reference books relating to the job search process.

Free blood pressure program

Blood pressure testing, education and referral for medical care will be offered during the month of May at the Tacoma Public Library branches. The free program, sponsored by the Library in cooperation with the Health Department, will be held from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon.

May 7	Swasey Branch Library 7001 Sixth Avenue
May 8	Main Library 1102 Tacoma Avenue South
May 14	South Tacoma Branch Library 3411 South 56th Street
May 15	Moore Branch Library 215 South 56th Street
May 21	McCormick Branch Library 3722 North 26th Street
May 22	Fern Hill Branch Library 765 South 8f4th Street
May 28	Mottet Branch Library 3523 East G Street

The program will be conducted by Health Department staff assigned to the blood pressure program and will include discussion of diet, exercise, stress, and other factors related to hypertension.
Call the library for times and place.
Phone:(206) 572-2000

Peace Corps needs you

The Peace Corp has announced increased opportunities for Americans with backgrounds in math, biology or French and who wish to use their skills in the developing world.

Peace Corps Director Richard F. Celeste said, "an unexpected increase in demand for teachers by Third World countries has resulted in a need for volunteers to begin training in June instead of later in the year."

Biologists are needed to teach science in Ghana and Belize and to serve in fisheries programs in Niger, Jamaica and the Phillippines, Celeste added, while math teachers are needed in Ghana, Togo, Cameroon, Liberia, Tonga, The Gambia and Botswana.

College graduates who have taken French at either the college or high school level are needed to teach English or serve in agriculture, health and construction programs in a number of French-speaking African countries.

College graduates with a major or minor in the needed subject areas should have their applications submitted no later than May 1 inorder to begin training in June.

After training, Peace Corps volunteers serve two years assisting people in Third World countries to improve the quality of life and develop self sufficiency in basic human needs. Peace Corps volunteers bring to their work a special kind of commitment. They must be able to adapt to a new environment, must be flexible and must be able to organize their work independently in the communities they serve. An applicant must be a U.S. citizen and at least 18 years old. There is no upper age limit. An applicant must be medically qualified and , if married, serve with his or her spouse.

Transportation is provided to training sites and to and from the overseas assignment as well as for home leave in the event of a family emergency.

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Outside... Looking In

by Virginia Taylor

The Congressional Black Caucus has issued some guidelines for Black Voter evaluation of presidential candidates. They must pledge or indicate their support on the following issues:

Full employment-

To support and introduce specific legislation which will meet the 1983 targets in the Full Employment and Balance Growth Act of no more than three percent adult and four percent overall unemployment and a reduction in the disproportionately high unemployment rates of Black Americans, Hispanics, youth, and women-

-Efforts to improve the coordination of CETA especially the Private Sector Initiative Program under Title VII with other federally funded job creation and federal contracts--Support the Fair Housing amendments act which provides HUD with cease and desist power and other enforcement tools should be endorsed- Energy- a policy which does not use price to further conservation but rather shares the burden of conservation equitably, to support continued subsidies to help the elderly to pay utility bills. To end oil price decontrols- support legislation making the United States Govt. the sole importer of foreign oil--support for legislation requiring the vertical and horizontal divestiture of energy companies. Renewable energy resources such as solar power, must receive the same governmental subsidies and incentives which traditional energy resources have received,

-Health- A national health plan which provides quality health care equally to all people regardless of their economic circumstances, with particular concerns for those who cannot afford to pay and who are discriminated against by medical institutions.

-Education-

The constitutional principles inumerated by the U.S. Supreme Court and Federal law relative to school desegregation, including hiring and promotion practices, must be upheld, enforced and supported. There should be sharply increased efforts to eliminate de facto segregation in our schools through substantial federal aid to school systems seeking to desegregate either within the system or in cooperation with neighboring school systems.-

Higher Education-

Adequate funding of the historically Black colleges and universities and other post-secondary institutions which serve low-income students, including federal research contracts and grants.

-Urban & Rural Development and Minority Business-

Articulate during the campaign and implement in office a comprehensive program of urban and rural development to assure local integration of federal grant programs to improve their potential impact and assure that they are implemented in a coordinated manner especially utilizing the training programs under CETA to prepare workers for employment created by other Federal programs. Institute measures which would guarantee that federal agencies will strictly enforce and implement Public Law 95-507, which amends the Small Business Act and Small Business Investment Act of 1958 to facilitate greater participation of small and minority business in the government procurement system. Institute other measures which would assure that the mandate to triple minority procurement will be strictly enforced.

-Civil Rights and Affirmative Action-

To campaign and hold office in a manner which makes civil rights and equal opportunity an issue of the highest priority. To speak frequently and forcefully to educate the American public to the large economic and social gaps and disabilities still faced by Black Americans, Hispanic Americans, Native Americans and Asian Americans. To provide vocal support and strengthen the machinery for affirmative action and set-aside programs so as to further progress toward equal opportunity for minority Americans in all aspects of American life.

To voice a strong commitment to ratification of the constitutional amendment to provide full voting representation in Congress for the District of Columbia. To support ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment in a manner which makes clear the interest and concern of Black and other minority women in achieving equality as minorities and as women. In determining compliance with civil rights and affirmative action requirements, Blacks shall be counted as Blacks, women shall be counted as women, clearly identifying those in racial minorities and other minority racial groups counted as such to avoid double counts and under-representation of any particular groups which has been discriminated against.

-Criminal Justice-

To oppose bills purporting to reform the entire collection of federal criminal laws which have any serious negative implications for Blacks and other minorities, including an increase in the already excessive use of incarceration. To support efforts that genuinely reform the criminal justice system, so as to reduce substantially the use of incarceration and discriminatory treatment of Blacks and other minorities, and move toward community-based alternatives to incarceration.

-Foreign Policy-

To continue policies toward the African countries articulated by the Congressional Black Caucus and former Ambassador to the U.N. Andrew Young stressing the expansion of economic assistance to that region and majority rule in southern Africa.

To increase refugee relief assistance for Africa, which has the greatest number of refugees in the whole world,

I wanted to diseminate this information to our people--too often there is a gap in our national poilcies and local action. These are issues of concern to the total Black community. We must stop voting on emotions and rhetoric-the presidency is important;however, we must look to our Black Congressmen/women for some guidance.

That is where our voice can be heard-we must evaluate all candidates for public office on the basis of where they stand on isssues that affect *us*- when you consider that *none* of the presidential candidates made an effort to address the Conference for the Black Agenda where all or most of our organizations had representation--*what happens to us* is *important to us.*

On the local scene-The Black Women's Caucus of Wash. State will host **Barbara Williams** as the speaker for their annual meeting banquet. She is the excutive director of the Congressional Black Caucus. She will be participating in workshops during the day-you can get first hand information on the above mentioned positions on May 3rd at the Randolph Carter Industrial Center 100 23rd Ave Seattle, Wash.

For information call: 572-5557 and ask for Gina.

Other Voices

Conyers and Carter

-by Ron Wilson

Ron Wilson is director of the Afro-American Cultural Center and a member of the Northwest Conference of Black Public Officials.

Congressman John Conyers (D.-Mich.), a founding member of the Congressional Black Caucus, speaking recently at a meeting of the Northwest Conference of Black Public Officials, held in Seattle, stated that the present economic and political climate across the nation has signaled the end of the "New Deal."

On the subject of the proposed F.Y. '81 Federal Budget Cong. Conyers painted a gloomy picture for the future. "Every domestic program in the proposed Federal Budget will be negatively affected-no exceptions," Conyers said.

The Congressman also pointed our some indicators of the dismal, domestic picture:

-The Food Stamp Program has run out of money, and the situation *must* be corrected by May 5th. A retroactive ammendment of the F.Y. 81 budget must be made in order to make ends meet in F.Y. 80.

-The President's proposed budget lists a 5 increase in Military spending, but with the 10 inflationary adjustment already built in, there is proposed an actual increase of 15.

-All of the Office of Management and Budget spent 10 months working on the F.Y. 81 budget. However, when the presidential advisor pointed out that the "Boraxo Kid" would beat the President on the inflation issue, a hasty "politized" budget message was issued. In that January budget message, the President proposed suspension of the full-employment law, even though the language of the full-employment law prohibits suspension "It's flat out illegal."

Conyers said that the proposed budget is based on a "share the pain" ethic where there are many who already have a lot of pain. Blacks are still in the depression of the 30's, with adult unemployment at 25. The Federal Budget juggling act is a process in which philosophical decisions are being made by way of numbers, with no discussion.

Cong. Conyers also brought a message of involvement in the political process for Blacks during this quadrennial decision making time. "We are dealing with racism in a shrinking economic sphere of over-successful technology producers and no consumers."

"Middle class," Conyers said, "is the most useless term in American sociology." All that seperates the "middle class' from the abject poor is the label. He said that we must not be bogged down in the bureaucratic maze, but we must participate in the political process. We need not move from protest to politics alone because all protest has political connotations. "No matter what you do, *participate* in the political process. The botton line is participation."

Even though there are poor reasons presented to us to select a national leader, we must concern ourselves with the "common sense decisions" and "obivous needs" (eg. health and employment).

Conyers said "Don't get caught in the day-to-day government puzzle, but concern yourselves with the long-term assessment of needs and impact."

At the luncheon gathering of the Northwest conference of Black Public Officials, the speaker was the Honorable W. Beverly Carter, Ambassador-at-Large, U.S. State Department. One of only a handful of Blacks in the State Department at the Ambassadorial level, Carter was straight forward as he shared a few of his thoughts:

-On the Iranian situation-

"The Iranians have no case in seizing the hostages. It was necessary to break diplomatic relations with Iran; I'd have handled it in the same fashion as the President has, if left in my hands.

We almost fell into Iran's trap when they released the Black and female hostages. Until all are free, we are "one" in our difficulty."

-On the Afghan Crisis:

"In 1978 the Soviets established a puppet regime in Afghanistan, and when it weakened they re-accomplished the same thing by use of military force. Since there are only 91 non-aligned countries left in the world, the real importance of the Afghan invasion is deceptive in its importance. The situation is comparable to Hitler's Germany in 1930. It's a lot like being a little pregnant, there's no stopping until the full course is run."

-On Liberia:

"The recent assassination of President Tolbert cost us a staunch friend and ally, but the causes are clear. President Tolbert was a humanitarian who saw the problems of his people and showed the way to solution, but he was unable to meet the rapidly rising expectations of his country."

-On Muhammad Ali's "Diplomatic Mission in Africa:"

"I hit the ceiling! This is an indication of what they think of us. The Africans are no fools and were rightfully offended."

Ambassador Carter added, "the level and number of Black ambassadors is the same as 6-7 years ago. There has been no real progress in this area. We've had some more visual examples (Young and McHenry) bur no real improvement."

"We must," he said, "begin to relate to global circumstances on a local level. As an example, the new country of Zimbabwe with its chrome and tobacco along with the suspension of trade embargoes will affect us all in one way or another--we must begin to relate in these terms."

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Peace Corps

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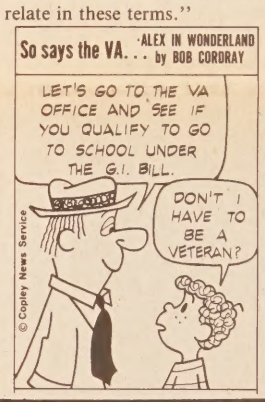
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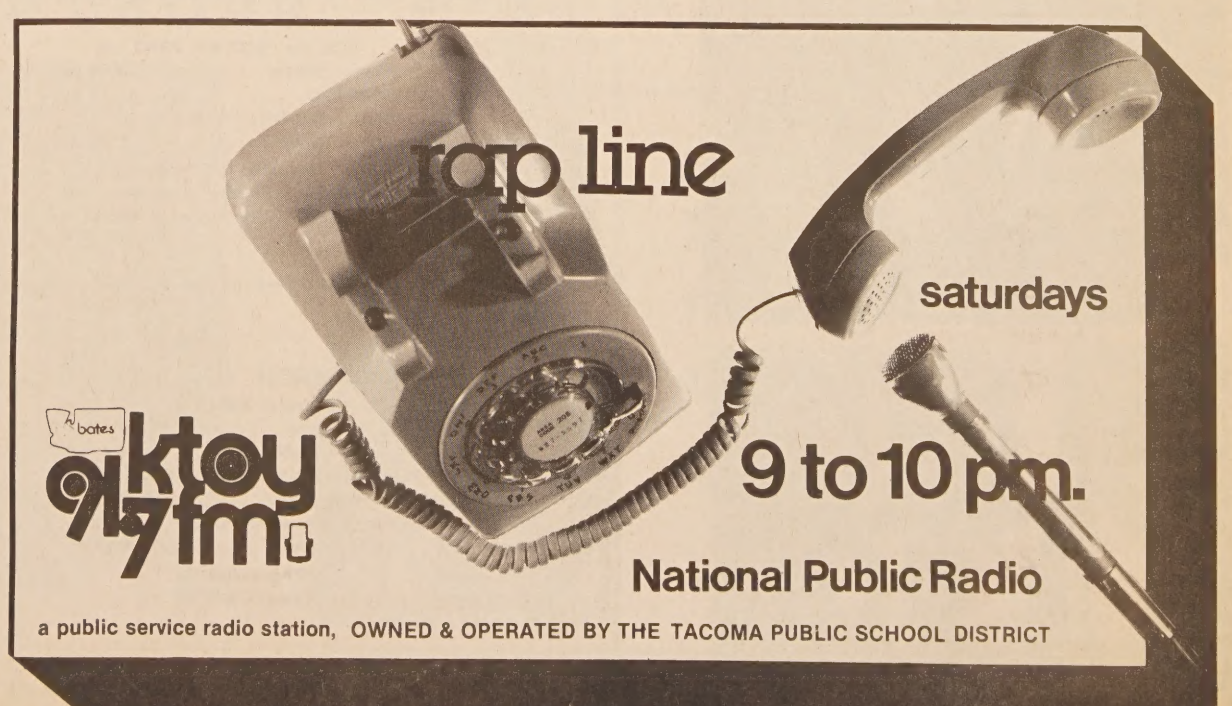
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V. Edward's Datebook

Iota Mu Lambda chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. had an exciting evening at the Tacoma Pavilion April 18th.

This Annual Ball is a fund raiser for scholarships and other needy causes.

The disco dance floor was never empty, which was proof that all guests were enjoying the evening.

President **Willie Stewart** displayed the key to the city, presented to him by Tacoma mayor **Mike Parker** during the Founder's Day program at **Miles C.M.E. Church.**

Stopping by one table (Alpha Phi Alpha **James Wilson's**) to say hello, was **Dr. Claudia Thomas**, principal of **Sequoia Junior High School** in Kent, Wa.

Alpha **William Croon** was very charming in escorting us to our table. Chivalry is still alive, thank goodness.

The membership roster:
Dr. Gerald G. Burke
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Dancing to the music of **Project Love** The USS Tacoma Links "sailed out of port" at the Fort Lewis Officers' Club on its African Safari Cruise Fundraising Dance, April 19th.

Many of the guests were in African dress with **Mr. James Wilson** of Olympia, acting as "Purser"(MC). As the ship's horns blew, sound effects were provided by **Lt. Von Roberts**, the band leader. The "Purser" welcomed all aboard in the name of the Tacoma chapter of Links.

Fresh fruit and candlelight were on each table. After embarking, champagne was served for toasting all guests for a delightful fantasy night cruise.

As the imaginary ship sailed into port a delicious buffet dinner was served. At the 1 a.m. debarking, noise makers and horns sounded, confetti was thrown, and again there was toasting and cheers.

Mrs. Connie Thomas, the chairperson, was assisted by Mesdames **Helen Stafford, Ruth Jefferies, Juanita Owens, Raynola Blackshear** , and your correspondent.

Flower arrangements for the buffet table were presented to outgoing president Ann Wade & vice president **Ruth Starke**.

President, **Ann Wade**, presented a check to Mrs, **Keturah Morris** in the amount of $900.00 for the **Hilltop Community Day Care Center.**

Three U.S. Savings Bonds were presented to Push/Excel director **Mr. Rock Thomas** for three Tacoma students to be named later.

The Tacoma Links closed out its club year with several activities.

An International Tea was held in the student lounge at UPS. **Mrs Ruth Jefferies** was chair person,and committee members were: **Keturah Morris, Margaret Williams, Virginia Fountain and Ruby Harris.**

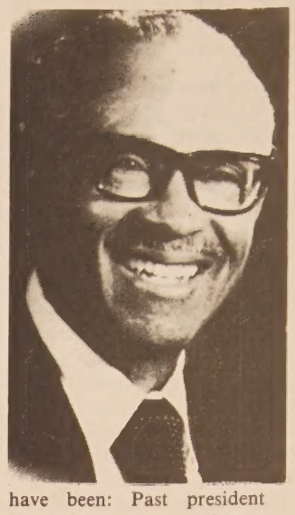
A Week long Juried Art Show which exhibited the work of junior and senior high school students of Tacoma and Pierce County, was held in the Tacoma Mall.

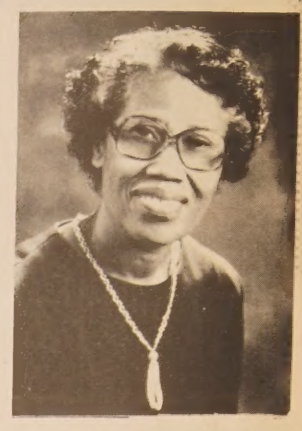
Awards and certificates were presented to winners in each category of paintings, drawings, prints, sculpture, ceramics and crafts at the reception on the final day.

Best of Show entrants receiced savings bonds presented by the **Puget Sound National Bank.** A Special Link award was a cash donation presented by the **Pacific National Bank of Washington.**

Mrs. Minnie Miller, chairperson, was assisted by Mesdames **Connie Lassiter, Clara Cox, Yvonne Downey and Ruth Starke.**

Rev. E.S. Brazill: a celebration





Pastor, Rev. Ernest Stonewall Brazill, was born April 23, 1910 in Albany, Georgia. April has proven to be a very historical month throughout his life. For it was in April of 1942 that he was called to the ministry,and delivered his first sermon. He was ordained on April 22, 1943.

Rev. Brazill was raised in Houston, Texas, where he obtained his early education. He was graduated from Conroe Normal and Industrial College with a degree in Theology.

Over the past twenty five years of service many specific programs and changes in our community can be credited to his leadership and faith.

He has performed 400 baptisms, 480 marriages and counseled countless Tacomans. Under his direction Shiloh's membership has grown from 75 to 700.

He has held positions which include: past president of the following organizations: the North Pacific Baptist Convention, the Sunday School and Baptist Training Union Congress, the North Pacific Baptist Convention, and the Tacoma Ministerial Alliance. Rev. Brazill is a former member of the Board of Directors of the National Baptist Convention U.S.A., Inc.;and volunteer Chaplain, Tacoma General Hospital.

Among his civic service accomplishments and awards have been: Past president NAACP, member-Urban league, past chairman of the Tacoma Human Relations Commission; first Black to serve as Commissioner for Tacoma Housing Authority, Chairman of Tacoma Model Cities program; first Black to serve on Tacoma School District No. 10, open enrollment; member of Board of Trustees, Tacoma General Hospital, member of People's Youth Advisory Board; member Pierce County OIC.

On May 14, 1979, Rev. Brazill was elevated to the highest sublime degree of Masonry--33rd degree.

The Colored Women Federated Clubs presented Rev. Brazill with the Community Good Shepherd Award. He was also given a certificate for distinguished service by the Municipal League.

Always there to support all of his endeavors has been his wife, Lily V. Brazill. She has also been an active participant in many church affiliations. A few have been: past president North Pacific Baptist Convention-- women's dept; board member-Washington Baptist Convention; board of Community House; state board member-Church Women United;member-Heroines of Jericho and Cascadian Golden Circle.

They are the parents of a son, Nathaniel and a daughter, Maxine. They have five grandchildren.

Links Art Show

Come to Church Services

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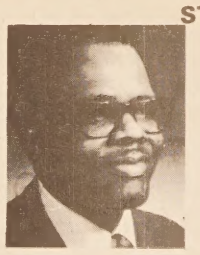

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Services: 10 am, 11 am,
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"Where There Is No Vision, The People Perish"

Sunday Services
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Worship ..... 11:15 am & 7:30 pm
Tuesday Bible Study..... 7:30 pm
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If in need of transportation
Call Reverend Leo C. Brown Jr.
Res. 759-0427 or 759-4485
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5715 N. 33rd Tacoma, WA

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1623 So. 11th St., Tacoma, WA 98405
Radio Broadcast Sunday Mornings
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Worship ..... 11:15 am
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Worship Fri. 7:30 pm
Marriage & Family Counseling. Call 572-6785 for transportation.

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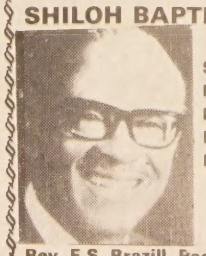

Rev. E.S. Brazill, Pastor

Church Services
Sunday School..... 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.
Baptist Training Union..... 6:00 p.m.
Evening Services..... 7:00 p.m.
Midweek Prayer Meeting & Bible Study..... 8:00 p.m.
Office 272-4949
Home 572-6299

ALLEN AME CHURCH
1411 So. Yakima 627-6855

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7:00 p.m. Wednesday...Bible study

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Wednesday eve. ..... 7:30 pm
Friday - YPCW ..... 7:30 pm
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Tuesday 7:30 pm
Evergreen Chapel
Ft. Lewis

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3575 Portland

Rev. & Mrs. M.C. Connally, Jr.
Pastor's Residence Phone:
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SUNDAY SCHOOL
9:50 10:55 am
SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE
11:00 am

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SERVICES
Sunday School..... 9:30 am.
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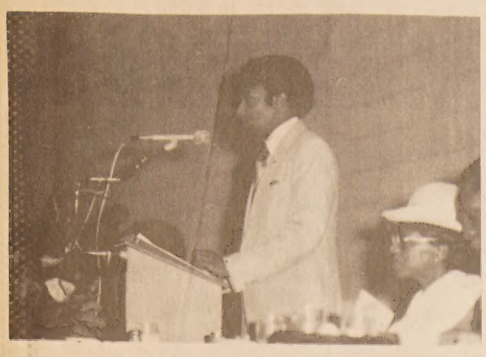
Night Worship..... 7:30 pm.
Tuesday ..... 7:30 p.m.
Friday..... 7:30 pm.
PASTOR - EVANGELIST EUGENE SATTERWHITE
Res. - 1324 S. 14th - Tacoma, WA 98405
572-4982

NAACP Freedom Fund Dinner



You are there

Links Fantasy African Cruise

PUSH/EXCEL holds Western Conference,

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Mrs. Keturah Morris MA 7-7554

Classified *Facts*

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pierce County Board of Commissioners is submitting to the United States Department of Labor modifications to its fiscal year 1980 Programs.
These modificatons are due to increased funds resulting from FY 79 carryover and other grants made available.

The additional funds will be used to supplement present programs which serve the disadvantaged, unemployed residents of Pierce County.

Administration Pool197,970
Title II B/C_____331,668
Title IV YETP_____43,708
Title IV YCCIP_____20,521
Title VI PSE_____389,198
Title VII PSIP_____19,933

These modifications may be reviewed between 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. Monday through Friday at:
_____PIERCE COUNTY MANPOWER PLANNING
2401 South 35th Street, Rm 6
_____Tacoma, Washington 98409 Phone: 593-4940

Comments may be directed to the Board of Pierce County Commissioners. County/City Building, Tacoma, Washington.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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PIERCE COUNTY PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION BENEFIT AREA AUTHORITY

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE TRANSITION PLAN PREPARED IN ACCORDANCE WITH UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION REGULATIONS IMPLEMENTING SECTION 504 OF THE REHABILITATION ACT OF 1973.

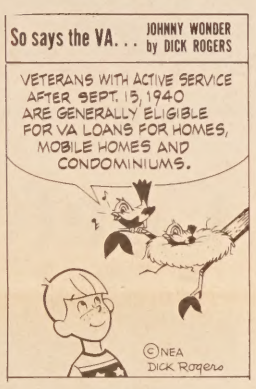
1. Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Pierce County Public Transportation Benefit Area Authority at the Authority meeting in the third floor auditorium, County City Building, 4:00 p.m., June 2, 1980, for the purpose of considering the draft Transition Plan which has been prepared in accordance with the United States Department of Transportation regulations implementing Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Section 504 requires that "no otherwise qualified handicapped individual shall, solely by reason of his handicap, be excluded fron the participation program or activity receiving federal financial assistance."

To ensure compliance with these regulations, the U.S. Department of Transportation has required that all transit properties develop a plan for achieving program accessibility prior to July, 1982.

This plan details the steps that are being taken by the Pierce County Public Transportation Benefit Area Authority to ensure that all of its facilities and services will be accessible to the mobility-disadvantaged population of the PTBAA service area.
2. At the hearing, the Pierce County Public Transportation Benefit Area Authority will afford an opportunity for interested persons or agencies to be heard with respect to the social, environmental and economic aspects of the plan.
Interested persons may submit orally or in writing evidence and recommendations with respect to said plan.

3. A copy of the Transition Plan will be available for public inspection at the Pierce County Public Transportation Benefit Area Authority office at 1235 South Sprague, Tacoma, Washington. This meeting will be signed.

_____Pierce County PTBA
_____Ellen Gustafson
_____Clerk of the Board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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Olympia, Washington 98504

April 21, 1980

Sealed bids will be received by the Department of Transportation Reception Desk located on the first floor of the Highway Administration Building, Olympia, Washington, until 10:00 A.M., or at P.O. Box 7667 Olympia, Washington 98507 until 9:00 A.M., on the dates shown below and will be opened and publicly read for the construction of the following improvement(s).

Those contractors wishing to submit sub-bids on the project(s) listed below must do so directly through the prime contractor. Names and addresses of the prime contractors may be obtained by contacting the Department of Transportation in Olympia, Washington or by calling (206) 753-6004.

Prequalification of bidders is required. Maps, plans, specifications and proposals may be obtained upon payment of the amount set forth below.

Bidding proposals for projects containing a Minority Business Enterprise goal will not be issued later than 5:00 P.M. on the Friday next preceeding the bid opening date established for such projects.

Informational copies of plans are on file in the Sea Port Business Development Center in Seattle, Inland Empire Minority Businessmen's Association (Spokane), and Minority Contractors Association in Tacoma, the Office of the County Engineer of the County in which the work is situated; the Chapter offices of the Associated General Contractors of America in Seattle, Spokane, Tacoma and Portland and the offices of the District Administrators of the Department of Transportation where they may be inspected.

MINORITY CONTRACTORS' BIDS AND/OR SUB-BIDS ARE ENCOURAGED. TO ORDER PLANS & SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING LISTED PROJECTS PLEASE CALL 753-9664

Project Documents will be furnished for a non-refundable fee of:

Project Estimate	Fee
$0 - $1,000,000	$ 5.00
Over $1,000,000	$10.00

The improvement(s) for which bids will be received follow:

BID OPENING OF WEDNESDAY, MAY 14,1980

(PIERCE COUNTY) 176TH ST. To 38TH ST. INTERCHANGE (Class 4, Asphalt Paving $600,000 - $700,000) THIS PROJECT CONTAINS MINORITY SUB-CONTRACTING GOAL. FA No. PMS-0005(127), PMS-007(4) & HES-007(5) on 4.650 miles of SR 7, MP 48.26 to MP 57.35. Repairing pavement, Removing Traffic Islands, Construct Maintenance Seal (ACP C1 G) Overlaying ACP C1 and Other Safety Work, South of Tacoma. 70 Working Days. This project involves about 3540 CY Pavt Exc, 4000 ton Gravel Base, 820 tons Asph Cement, 3000 ton ACO C1 B, 10000 ton ACP C1 G, 146000 LF Striping, 36000 LF Hot Spray Thermoplastic Stripe, 20900 Lane Markers, 500hrs Training and other items. (L-6542 & 6641)

_____W.A. BULLEY
_____Secretary of Transportation

EORC OFFERS HELP

EORC is a federally funded agency which provides career counseling, financial aid information, and tutoring services. EORC services are open to all Pierce County residents and are free of charge. EORC will help in finding a college or trade school which will fit the individual's needs best. They will also help in processing the financial aid forms required at the particular school. EORC is located at 515 South "M" Street in Tacoma. You may call us at 572-5960, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday for an appointment. EORC is an agency of the Metropolitan Development Council.

OIC offers training

Tacoma Pierce County OIC is offering office occupations training for unemployed-underemployed residents of the city of Tacoma.
Training includes: Typing, Bookkeeping, Filing, Office Occupations, General Office Procedures, and Job Search Techniques.

The length of the course if 8 - 16 weeks from 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. Services include counseling, stipends, and a travel allowance, as they apply to each individual, to help ease some of the barriers encountered during training.

Must have a high school diploma or G.E.D. T/P O.I.C. is located 1712 6th Ave. For appointment call 272-0386.

ELECTRICIAN APPRENTICE
Need 1¹ yr electrical exp. Own tools, & good drvg rec.
$4/hr¹

CARPENTER
Wood fabricating exp & own tools reqd.
$5/hr

TYPESETTER
Req 1 yr typesetting exp & fam w/520 photocomp unit.
800/mo

SAWYER
Must have exp w/clary cutting component syst.
up to $5.50/hr

ALTERATION TAILOR
Req 2 yrs alteration exp. Work w/cleaners.
$3.50/hr¹

PRODUCTION SUPERVISOR
3¹ yrs mfg supvsry exp & prod. scheduling reqd.
1,300/mo

GEM MOTEL
Reduced rates Mon-Thurs.
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DIAL-A-JOB

PURCHASING AGENT
Req 2¹ yrs marine equip. buying exp & EDP syst.
1,200/mo

SPECIAL ED TEACHER
WA st Teaching cert & special ed endrsmt reqd.
at least 12,079/yr

MANAGEMENT AIDE
Req 2½ yrs clerical admin exp & type 45 wpm.
9,256/yr

P/T THERAPIST
MA clin. Psych reqd to counsel fam/marital probs.
$10/hr

COLLEGE DEAN
MA & admin/mgmt exp w/college svcs reqd.
up to 23,447/yr

NURSE
Req AA & 3 yrs nursing exp. F/T & P/T available.
8.19/hr

LIBRARY TECH ASST
BA & 2 yrs tech library exp, esp w/child lit reqd.
12,445/yr

COLLEGE DEAN
MA & admin/mgmt exp w/student svcs reqd.
up to 23,447/yr

EMS INSTRUCTOR
Req WA St RN licns & 3¹ yrs emerg room exp.
11,000/yr¹

REGISTERED NURSE
Need WA St. licnse & exp/trng in C.C.U.
7.57/hr¹

F/C BOOKKEEPER
Need 2¹ yrs F/C bkkpg exp or college acctg.
1,000/mo

P/T LIBRARY ASST
Req good clerical skills & type 40 wpm. Temp job.
up to 4.61/hr

DATA ENTRY CLERK
Exp w/Honeywell CRT or IBM equipment reqd.
3.50/hr¹

CLERICAL ASSISTANT
Good office skills & driving record reqd. P/T.
3.64/hr

YOUTH JOBS
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All service is free

LAUNDRY MACHINE OPTR
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7.60/hr

INSTITUTIONAL COOK
Req 1 yr exp & cert. as dietetic assistant.
4.50/hr

PHARMACY ASSISTANT
Need level "A" certificate. Temp job.
4.39/hr

DIAL-A-JOB
Jobs listed daily on 24 hr line Call 593-2682.
All service is free

P/T SECURITY OFFICER
Req 5 yrs police or security exp. VWSDL.
9.72/hr

UTILITY POLE INSPECTOR
Req compl of 12 wk trng crse. Job in Goldendale.
up to $16/hr

PRODUCTION WORKER
Good hand/finger dexterity needed for assembly work.
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TACOMA
474-0761

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TACOMA
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TACOMA

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Sun 10 - 9
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